IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Applicant: Sarkar et al.

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Title: METHOD AN

METHOD AND SOFTWARE FOR PREDICTING THE TIMING DELAY OF A CIRCUIT PATH USING TWO DIFFERENT TIMING MODELS Con. No.: 7868

Art Unit: 2825

Examiner: Sandoval, Patrick

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office action dated August 2, 2006, please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 1 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 9 of this paper.